

SPECIAL SESSION-----ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL

October 15, 2003

3:15 p.m.

The Council of the City of Roanoke met in special session on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at 3:15 p.m., in the Roanoke Civic Center Exhibit Hall, Parlor E, 710 Williamson Road, N. W., City of Roanoke, Virginia, with Mayor Ralph K. Smith presiding, pursuant to Section 10, Meetings of Council, of the Charter of the City of Roanoke.

PRESENT: Council Members William D. Bestpitch, M. Rupert Cutler, C. Nelson Harris, Linda F. Wyatt (arrived late), and Mayor Ralph K. Smith-----5.

ABSENT: Council Members Alfred T. Dowe, Jr., and Beverly T. Fitzpatrick, Jr.-----2.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Darlene L. Burcham, City Manager; William M. Hackworth, City Attorney; Jesse A. Hall, Director of Finance; and Mary F. Parker, City Clerk.

The meeting was called pursuant to the following communication from the City Manager:

“Pursuant to § 10 of the Charter of the City of Roanoke, I am calling a Special Meeting of Roanoke City Council. The Special Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, at the Roanoke Civic Center in Parlor E. The purpose of the Special Meeting is to convene a closed meeting for the discussion of an award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711.A.30, Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.”

Mr. Bestpitch moved that Council convene in closed session to discuss award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(30), Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Harris and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cutler, Harris, and Mayor Smith-----4.

NAYS: None-----0.

(Council Members Dowe and Fitzpatrick were absent.)

(Council Member Wyatt entered the meeting during the Closed Session.)

At 3:20 p.m., the Mayor declared the meeting in recess for one closed session.

At 4:30 p.m., the meeting reconvened in the Roanoke Civic Center Exhibit Hall, Parlor E, with Mayor Smith presiding and all Members of the Council in attendance, with the exception of Council Members Dowe and Fitzpatrick.

(Vice-Mayor Harris left the meeting during the Closed Session.)

CITY COUNCIL: With respect to the Closed Meeting just concluded, Mr. Bestpitch moved that each Member of City Council certify to the best of his or her knowledge that: (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in any motion by which any Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered by City Council. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cutler and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Bestpitch, Cutler, Wyatt, and Mayor Smith-----**4.**

NAYS: None-----**0.**

(Council Members Dowe, Fitzpatrick and Harris were absent.)

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the special meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

A P P R O V E D

ATTEST:

Mary F. Parker
City Clerk

Ralph K. Smith
Mayor